



## Our Challenges

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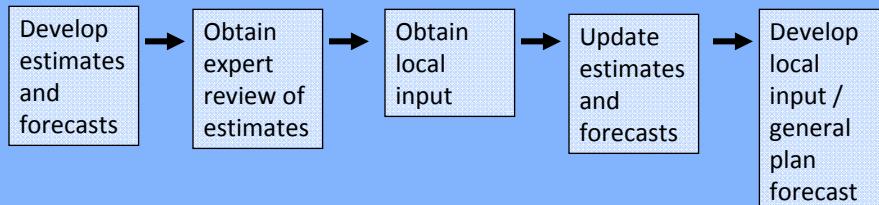
**15%**

by 2035



## 2008 Growth Forecast Process

- One-on-one discussions with 189 cities.
- Multiple opportunities for local input.
- Federal requirement to develop realistic projections, working with local jurisdictions.



## The 2008 Regional Transportation Plan

### Goals

- Maximize mobility and accessibility for all people and goods in the region
- Ensure travel safety and reliability for all people and goods in the region
- Preserve and ensure a sustainable regional transportation system
- Maximize the productivity of our transportation system
- Protect the environment, improve air quality and promote energy efficiency
- Encourage land use and growth patterns that complement our transportation investments
- Maximize the security of the regional transportation system through improved system monitoring, rapid recovery planning, and coordination with other security agencies

## The 2008 Regional Transportation Plan

**\$531.5 billion**



## The 2008 Regional Transportation Plan

### System Completion and Expansion

| Project Type                  | Cost (Billions) |                |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
|                               | Short-Term      | Long-Term      |
| Highway Improvements          | \$48.0          | \$77.2         |
| Transit Improvements          | \$13.3          | \$44.0         |
| High-Speed Regional Transport | \$0             | \$29.1         |
| Goods Movement Strategies     | \$2.7           | \$36.4         |
| <b>Total</b>                  | <b>\$64.0*</b>  | <b>\$186.7</b> |

\* \$11.2 billion for FY08-09 and FY09-10

### Inside the RTP

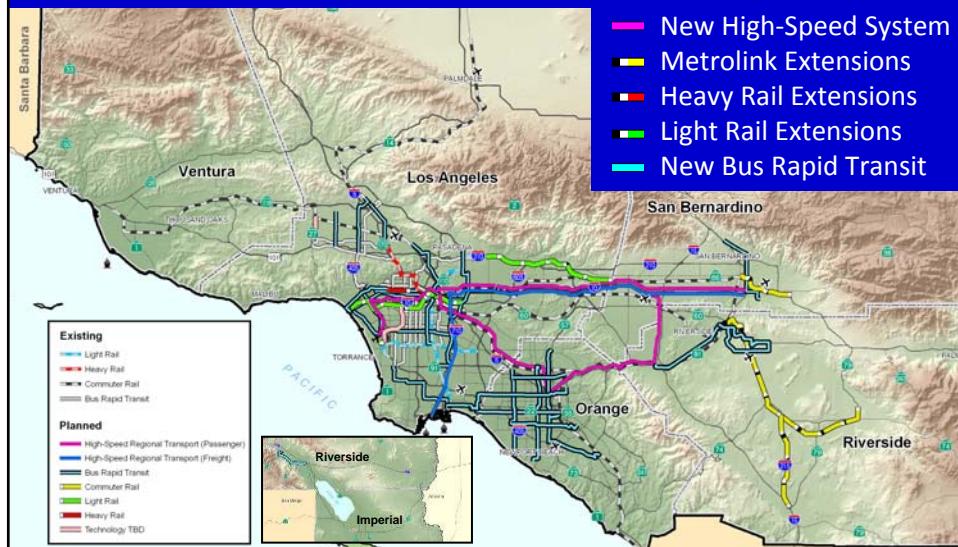
- HOV Gap Closures
- New Tolled Freeways
- Freeway Expansion

### Major Highway Projects



## Inside the RTP

### Major Transit and High-Speed Regional Transport Projects



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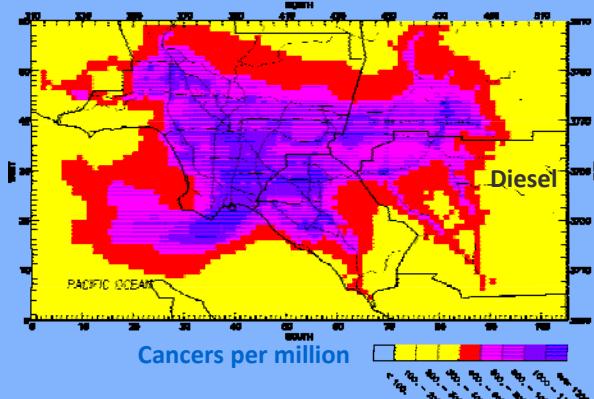
The transportation needs identified in the RTP will require new sources of revenue:

- Gasoline excise tax adjustment
- Private equity participation
- Value capture strategies
- Tolls
- Port container fees
- Others



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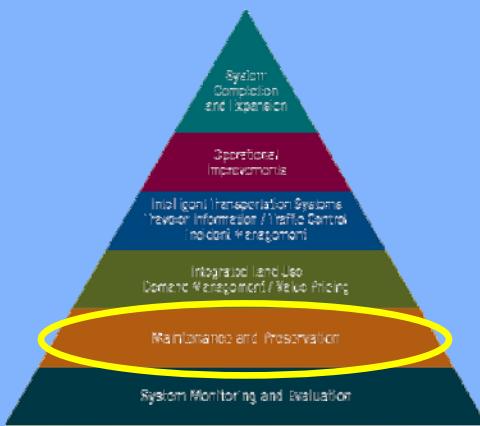
Further major infrastructure expansion has potential for more health risks



Source: SCAQMD, Multiple Air Toxics Exposure Study II, March 2000

## We need to maximize our existing transportation system

### Maintenance and preservation



## Planning with Senate Bill 375

- Would achieve specified GHG emission reduction target
- Integrate transportation, land use and housing planning
- Develop Sustainable Communities Strategy, which will be included in the next Regional Transportation Plan



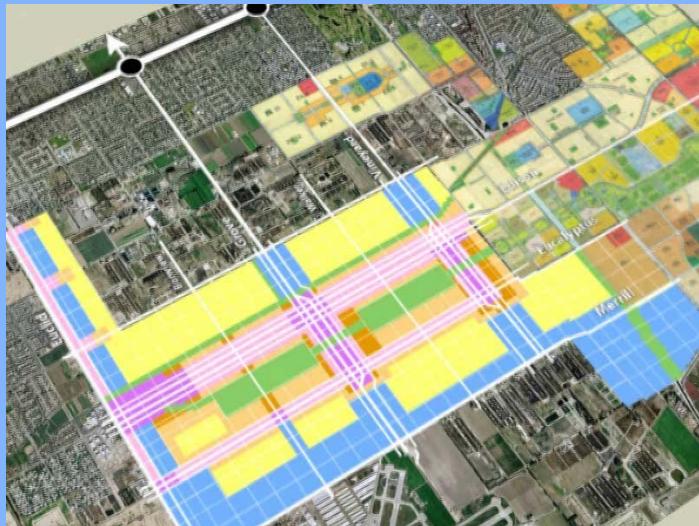
## Compass Blueprint Demonstration Projects



- Demonstrate the local benefits of planning consistent with regional goals
- Create models to replicate throughout the region



**City of Ontario  
New Model Colony**



**Review  
of the  
2008 ENVIRONMENTAL  
JUSTICE REPORT  
METHODOLOGY & ANALYSIS**

# Environmental Justice

## Fundamental Principles

- To avoid, minimize, or mitigate disproportionately high and adverse effects ... on minority populations and low-income populations.
- Ensure full participation in the transportation decision-making process.
- [Ensure] receipt of benefits by minority and low-income populations.

- U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT)

# SCAG's Requirements

## Guiding Documents

- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964
- Executive Order 12898 (1994)
- CEQ Environmental Justice Guidance Under the National Environmental Policy Act (1997)
- US Department of Transportation Order (1997)
- Federal Highway Administration Order (1998)
- Memorandum: Implementing Title VI Requirements in Metropolitan and Statewide Planning (1999)

## SCAG's responsibilities

### Environmental Justice Analysis

- Public Outreach
- Equitable distribution of Regional Transportation Plan's (RTP) benefits and burdens
  - Assure there are no disproportionate adverse impacts for low-income and minority people in the region.

## The Analysis

- Compares RTP ("the Plan") vs. without the Plan ("Baseline")
- The core questions:
  - Are there benefits with the Plan?
  - Is there a disproportionate negative impact of the Plan on any group?

# Methodology

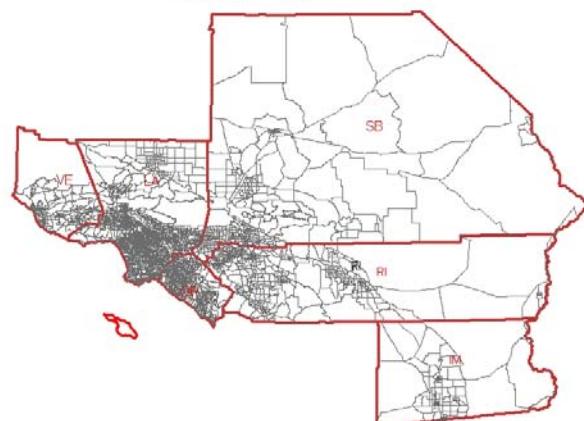
## Overview

- Geographic Level: Traffic Analysis Zone (TAZ)
- Socioeconomic Variables
- Regional Transportation Plan
- Tools
  - SCAG Regional Travel Demand Model & Networks
  - Direct Transportation Impact Model (DTIM)
- Performance Indicators

# Methodology

## Traffic Analysis Zones

SCAG 4109 TAZs



# Methodology

## Socioeconomic Variables

- Ethnicity/Race
  - Minority (Hispanic, Asian & Pacific Islanders, African Americans, Native Americans, Others)
  - Non-Hispanic White
- Income/Poverty Level
- Age
- Gender
- Disabled (per Census)

# Methodology

## Enhancements

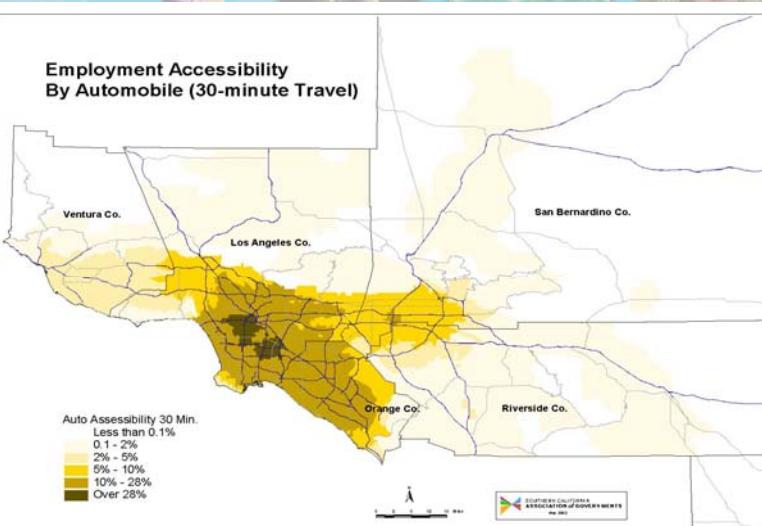
- Non-work trip analysis
- Analyzed accessibility based on same travel time (30 minutes) for different modes
- Accessibility to parks
- County-level analysis

# Methodology

## Performance Indicators

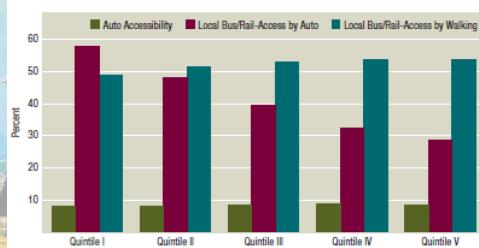
- Accessibility (employment and \*parks)
- Air pollution emissions
- Travel time savings (auto and transit)
- Auto travel distance savings
- Noise (aviation and highway)
- Plan Expenditures/Investments
- Sales & Gasoline Tax Burdens

## Example of EJ Analysis

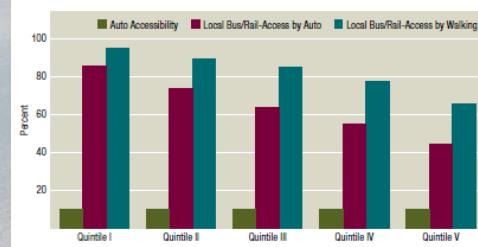


## Results of Analysis

### Improvement in Job Accessibility



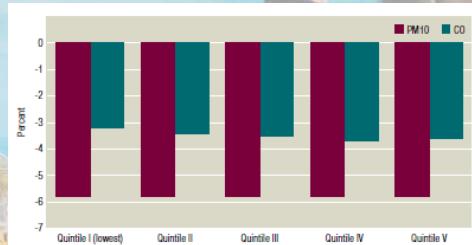
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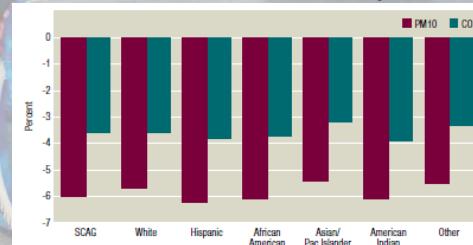
| Income Quintiles | Income Range         |
|------------------|----------------------|
| I                | \$0 to \$19,000      |
| II               | \$19,000 to \$36,000 |
| III              | \$36,000 to \$57,000 |
| IV               | \$57,000 to \$91,000 |
| V                | \$91,000 +           |

## Results of Analysis

### Decrease in Air Pollution Exposure by Income

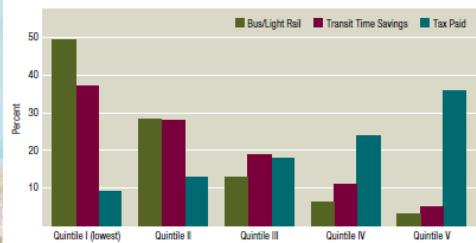


### Decrease in Air Pollution Exposure by Ethnicity



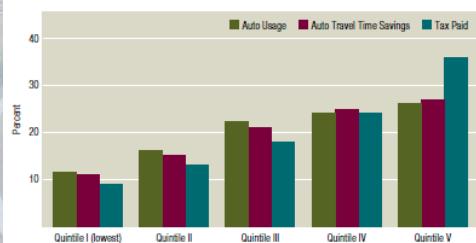
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### Improvement in Travel Time Savings (transit)



Lowest income quintiles pay only 20% of total taxes but benefit most.

### Improvement in Travel Time Savings (auto)



Highest income quintiles receive most benefit but pay 60% of tax burden.

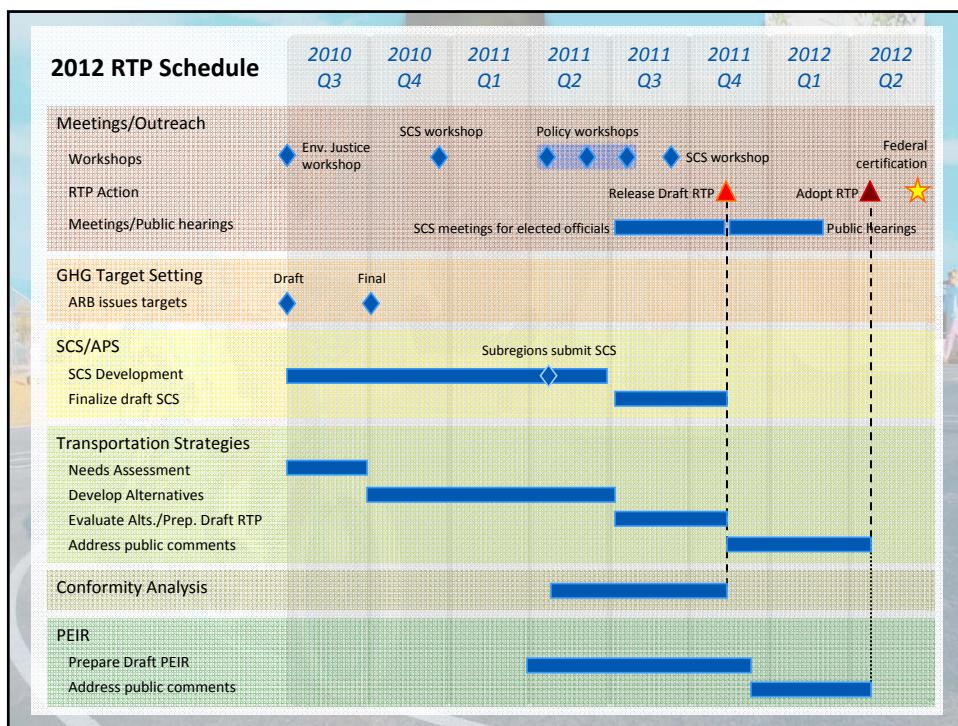
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### Overall Improvements in:

- Accessibility (employment and parks)
- Air pollution
- Travel time savings (transit and auto)
- Auto travel distance reductions
- Plan expenditures/investment (RTP)
- Sales and gasoline tax burdens

### Need to improve:

- Exposure to aviation noise
  - Regional Aviation Strategy
- Exposure to highway noise
  - 2008 RTP Mitigation



## Discussion

For more information and to sign up for our EJ distribution list, please go to our website:

<http://www.scag.ca.gov/environment/ej.htm>